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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of:  
PARIS et al  
Serial No.:  
Filed: Concurrently Herewith  
For: PROCESS...N-CARBOXY-  
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## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Hon. Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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Sir:

**Please amend this application as follows:**

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 5 of this paper.